

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**DRAFT**

In re Application of: James B. Copelan
Serial No.: 09/729,888
Filed: 12/04/00
For: A Pre-Surgical Safety, Warning, Notification, and/or Alerting
Device
Group: 3764
Examiner: Michael A. Brown

REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated December 21, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Accompanying this Reply is a clean copy of the Claims, as amended. Also accompanying this Reply is a marked up version of the Claims, showing the changes to be made by this Reply.

Please amend the Claims as shown in the marked up version of the Claims accompanying this Reply, resulting in the Claims as set forth in the clean copy. In particular, the requested changes include:

- a. Cancel claims 1-8 and 17.
- b. Renumber the remaining claims as claims 1 - 9.
- c. Modify claims 1, 7, 8, and 9 by adding and deleting as shown in the